

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Draft Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: June 17, 2014 at 5:00 pm

Location: 30 S. Nevada Avenue, Room 102

City Administration Building (CAB)

1. Call To Order/Introductions

Jim Ramsey called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.

ATAC members present:

Jim Ramsey, Parry Thomas, Nate Iven, Adam Nubern, Aubrey Hoover, Doug Bursnall, Stephanie Surch

ATAC Alternates Present:

Bonnie Johnson, Joe Souvignier

ATAC members absent:

Heather Graves, Adrian Rollett

2. Citizen Comment

Mr. Al Brody again offered a Front Range tour for the ATAC members to some of the more progressive bike and pedestrian communities such as Fort Collins, Boulder and Denver. He also recommended they attend the Pro Bike Conference September 8-11 in Pittsburgh, PA. Susan Davies mentioned the success of the Starlight Spectacular which included approximately 1500 riders. Chris Whit mentioned Café Velo partnering with Lifetime Fitness. Café Velo is also sponsoring group rides in north Colorado Springs. They are also offering a cycling 101 to educate cyclists. Eileen Tracy wanted to know how she can find information about bike crashes around the city and provided suggestions on how to improve safety. Allen Beauchamp invited attendees and ATAC members to join the City Council bike ride for Bike to Work Day. The ride would start at 6:00 am at Goose Gossage Park ending at the Bike to Work Day events at Acacia Park.

3. May 28, 2014 Meeting Summary

Two changes were identified for the May 28 meeting summary notes. One was to add the previous meeting comments regarding the changes to the Sinton Trail crossing on Chestnut and the second was to add Jim Ramsey's direction of Aubrey Hoover serving as ATAC representative for the Walk and Wheel Grant.

4. Old Business

Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (PPACG) Non-Motorized Transportation Plan Tim Roberts briefed the ATAC on the status of the Non-motorized Plan. He mentioned the consultant would be presenting the Top 10 Corridors for the region at a meeting the following day. Mr. Roberts mentioned the consultant was discussing a Stakeholder

meeting in June. The corridors were to be presented to the PPACG Technical Advisory Committee later in the week. He asked for ATAC members input on weighting of the criteria should the study get to a point where weighting would be necessary to ascertain priority corridors. The committee discussed safety, ease of travel, cost and closing gaps as some of the priority elements for proposed corridors.

Bike to Work Day

Ms. Vicki McCann provided an update of Bike to Work Day events. There are to be 4 breakfast locations within the City (downtown, Salsa Brava @ Rockrimmon, Salsa Brava @ Briargate, Southeast YMCA). Bike safety checks will be available the weekend prior and bike/bus education prizes available. She mentioned the City Council Bike Ride and the participation of Steve Clark, administrator for the League of American Bicyclists who determine Bicycle Friendly Communities status. There will be plenty of media and participation for a post breakfast ride with Mr. Clark.

5. New Business

2014 Planned Bike Projects

Tim Roberts provided a PowerPoint presentation of the bicycle infrastructure projects City staff have planned for the year. He went over bike lane projects, projects requiring public process, the new bike racks being installed downtown and other new developments. A couple of major projects were discussed such as the Las Animas widening project which will provide bike lanes along the Las Animas/Airport Road corridor from Shooks Run to Chelton Road and eventually Peterson AFB. He also went over grant funded projects such as Hancock Expressway and Van Buren Street. A Corona Street bike lane installation public meeting was scheduled for June 24th in which several members mentioned they would be able to attend to support their installation.

Brian Shevock presented the Templeton Gap road diet project which will reduce the 4-lane roadway to 3-lanes plus bike lanes and parking. A neighborhood meeting is scheduled for June 18th at the Patty Jewitt Clubhouse. Brian presented the cross-section and discussed the improvements required in front of Nancy Lewis Park. Positive feedback had already been received for this proposed project from adjacent residents.

ATAC Overview of Committee

Given the late time Mr. Roberts suggested postponing this item to the following month.

6. Staff and ATAC Member Announcements

Mr. Roberts announced that Heather Graves and Adam Nubern would be leaving the ATAC to pursue employment opportunities outside of Colorado Springs. Aubrey Hoover mentioned Mountain Metro was holding a meeting for the 2040 Transit Plan on Friday.

7. Next Meeting Topics

Mr. Ramsey mentioned he would like a large part of the meeting to be focused on the Non-Motorized Plan Update and for the consultants to be present. Mr. Roberts concurred and also mentioned City staff would like to initiate discussion regarding missing sidewalks and criteria to prioritize projects.

Adjournment

Mr. Jim Ramsey adjourned the meeting at 7:26 pm.